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MIDWAY, UTAH

Naomie Alice Vail Burgener was born April 5, 1889, at Midway, Utah. Her parents, John Riley Vail and Alice White Vail moved to Thayne, Wyoming when she was real young. Then they moved to the Yellowstone Park where her father helped to clear brush and make way for the Mammoth Hotel that was built later close to the Old Faithful Geyser.

Her first schooling was at the Big Horn Basin now called Byron, Wyoming. Later they moved to the Teton Basin where her father built a home at Chapin Fremont Co., Idaho. They lived here for eleven years.

They then moved to Midway, Utah where she met and married George A. Burgener. They were blessed with three children, all girls. Mrs. Burgener was appointed Postmaster by H. Hays, July 15, 1921.

It was a small fourth class office, but it advanced to almost triple in size and on July 1, 1945 it advanced to third class and Mrs. Burgener was re-appointed by Harry S. Truman as Postmaster November 17, 1945.

The town owned the building. When they decided to remove the building and build a larger building the Post Office was moved a block away until the building was completed. Then the office was moved back in a part of it and Mrs. Burgener was permitted to live in the back part of the building until she retired April 30, 1959. She was Postmaster for 38 years.

She purchased a home $\frac{1}{2}$ block from the Post Office where at present she takes care of her home and yard and raises beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Burgener was a Charter Member of the National Association of Postmasters. She never missed a state convention and has attended seven National Conventions. She enjoyed her work as Postmaster very much and says she misses the visits she had with her friends and neighbors since she retired.



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